

## **Howard County Council**

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Minutes (approved)
Work Session on Affordable Housing in Downtown Columbia
November 16, 2015
3:30 p.m.
Banneker Room

Members Present: Mary Kay Sigaty, Chair; Jon Weinstein, Vice Chair; Calvin Ball; Greg Fox;

Jen Terrasa

Staff Present: Jessica Feldmark, Administrator; Craig Glendenning, County Auditor

The Chair opened the meeting at 3:37 p.m.

## Schools Study

Carl DeLorenzo provided an overview of the revisions that have been made in response to questions raised by the Council. Jeff Bronow discussed his November 2 memo and its analysis of student yield projections and explained differences in different methodologies. Joel Gallihue presented the School System's 2015 Feasibility Study Update. Council Members asked questions on topics including assumptions about the mix of unit types and sizes and how these assumptions relate to those in the fiscal impact analysis.

## Fiscal Impact Analysis

Keenan Rice and Emily Metzler presented an overview of revisions made to the fiscal impact analysis and the additional scenarios evaluated. Council Members asked questions on topics including the approach to unit valuation and what comps are most appropriate for Downtown Columbia, assumptions used in the scenarios, and estimating income for residents of affordable units.

## Parking Analysis

Val Lazdins and Randy Clay provided an overview of the updated parking analysis and the answers to follow-up questions from the Council following the previous work session on the parking analysis. Council Members asked questions on topics including what problems the current parking regulations pose, what goal the proposed changes are intended to achieve, assumptions about levels of transit service, assumptions about mix of unit types and size, and monitoring actual parking needs as development progresses.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.